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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

This is in response to the Restriction Requirement mailed from the United States Patent and Trademark Office on February 15, 2000. Applicants hereby elect Group I (claims 1, 8, 9, 18, 19, 40, 41 and 43) for prosecution, without traverse. Applicants have amended claim 50 and added new claim 59, and respectfully request inclusion of these claims in Group I.

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